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LETTER DATED 4 JANUARY 1999 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF SAUDI ARABIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that on 12 December 1998, an Iraqi patrol crossed the Saudi border and opened fire on a Saudi patrol, one of the members of which sustained a wound to the head from which he died.

The Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia addresses a complaint to the Security Council in this connection and strongly condemns this type of aggression, which constitutes a violation of the security and sovereignty of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and of its international borders, as well as of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the rules of international law.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdulrahman S. AL-AHMED
Chargé d'affaires, a.i.

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